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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/501770</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/AU03/00050		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 17 January 2003 (17.01.2003)		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 18 January 2002 (18.01.2002)	
TITLE OF INVENTION  <b>PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR PRODUCTION OF LNG BY REMOVAL OF FREEZABLE SOLIDS</b>					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>AMIN, Robert; and KENNAIRD, Anthony, Frederick</b>					
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission to items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.					
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3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (22) indicated below.					
4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).					
5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))					
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).					
b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.					
c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).					
6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))					
a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.					
b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					
7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))					
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d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.					
8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).					
9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).					
10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).					
Items 11 to 21 below concern document(s) or information included:					
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.					
12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.					
13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.					
14. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment.					
15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.					
16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.					
17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825.					
18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					
19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					
20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <u>Application Data Sheet; General Authorization For Petitions For Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees; and PCT/ISA/210.</u>					
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: <u>(1) Curtin University of Technology; Bentley, Western Australia; and (2) Core Laboratories Australia PTY Ltd., Kewdale, Western Australia.</u>					

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22. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):**

Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482)  
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CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	\$
Total Claims	54	-20 =	34	x \$18.00 (1615)
Independent Claims	4	-3 =	1	x \$86.00 (1614)
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+ \$290.00 (1616)
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				<b>\$ 1,778.00</b>

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above  
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**NOTE:** Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a)  
 or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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GENERAL AUTHORIZATION FOR PETITIONS  
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3), the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby provided with a general authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission as containing a request therefor for the appropriate length of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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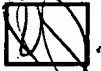
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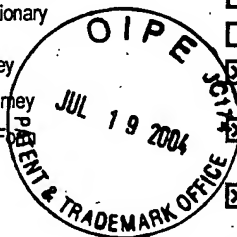
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